



## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION memorializing John R. Holmes III.

Whereas, John R. Holmes III died unexpectedly on February 12, 2009, at the age of 45;

Whereas, John was born on October 31, 1963, at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis;

Whereas, The eldest child of John and Sharon Holmes, John graduated from Purdue University with a B.A. in Political Science and later earned a J.D. from Indiana University;

Whereas, John was licensed to practice law in Indiana and was certified in association management by both the American Society of Association Executives and the United States Chamber of Commerce;

Whereas, John's dedication to public service was instilled in him at an early age by his family, who believed strongly in public service and helping others;

Whereas, John's career began in the Indiana House of Representatives, where he served as a staff member;

Whereas, After leaving the House of Representatives, John worked in the government affairs division of the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies, at the Indiana Health Care Association, and as executive director of the

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Alliance of Indiana Rural Water;

Whereas, Since 2002, John had been the Chief Executive Officer of OFA, an Association of Floriculture Professionals;

Whereas, John, the consummate professional, succeeded in making the OFA a better, bigger organization and expanding the OFA Short Course and Trade Show into the ranks of a top-200 Trade Show of North America;

Whereas, John had a special ability to assess, analyze, and evaluate a situation with great insight and vision;

Whereas, John often used these great gifts to advise his friends and colleagues in his non-threatening, "life coach" style; and

Whereas, John R. Holmes III was a friend to many and a remarkable leader; he will be missed by all who knew him: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

1	SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly expresses its
2	condolences to the family of John R. Holmes III and hopes they find
3	comfort and solace in this time of great sorrow.
4	SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
5	Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of John

R. Holmes III.



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